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SUBJ: UNGA OMNIBUS DRAFT RESOLUTION ON OUTER SPACE

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF OMNIBUS DRAFT RES ON OUTER SPACE WORKED OUT 10 OCT BY INFORMAL COMITE CONSIDTING OF US, UK, SOVS, GDR, FRG, INDONESIA, INDIA, PAKISTAN, CANAD, BRAZIL, ARGENTINA, JAPAN, ROMANIA, AND AUSTRIA. PARA 22(BIS) STILL UNDER DISCUSSION BETWEEN INDIA, AND PAKISTAN WITH CHAIRMAN AND IS DISCUSSED STEPTEL.

TEXT FOLLOWS:

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 3182(XXVIII) OF 18 DECMEBER 1973,

HAVING CONSIDERED THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE.

REAFFIRMING THE COMMON INTEREST OF MANKIND IN FURTHERING THE EXPLORATION AND USE OF OUTER SPACE FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES,

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 1721 B (XVI) OF 20 DECEMBER 1961, UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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IN WHICH IT EXPRESSED THE BELIEF THAT THE UNITED NATIONS SHOULD PROVIDE A FOCAL POINT FOR INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN THE

PEACEFUL EXPLORATION AND USE OF OUTER SPACE,

REAFFIRMING ITS BELIEF THAT THE BENEFITS DERIVING FROM SPACE EXPLORATION CAN BE EXTENDED TO STATES AT ALL STAGES OF ECONOMIC AND SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPEMENT IF MEMBER STATES CONDUCT THEIR SPACE PROGRAMMES WITH A VIEW TO PROMOTING MAXIMUM INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION, INCLUDING THE WIDEST POSSIBLE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION IN THIS FIELD, AND EXPANSION OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES FOR THE PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS OF SPACE TECHNOLOGY TO DEVELOPMENT;

REAFFIRMING THE IMPORTANCE OF INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN DEVELOPING THE RULE OF LAW IN THE PEACEFUL EXPLORATION AND USE OF OUTER SPACE;

- 1. ENDORSES THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE;
- 2. INVITES STATES WHICH HAVE NOT YET BECOME PARTIES
 TO THE TREATY ON PRINCIPLES GOVERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF
 STATES IN THE EXPLORATION AND USE OF OUTER SPACE, INCLUDING
 THE MOON AND OTHER CELESTIAL BODIES, THE AGREEMENT ON THE
 RESCUE OF ASTRONAUTS, AND RETURN OF ASTRONAUTS AND THE
 RETURN OF OBJECTS LAUNCHED INTO OUTER SPACE AND THE CONVENTION
 IN INTERNATIONAL LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE CAUSED BY SPACE OBJECTS
 TO GIVE EARLY CONSIDERATION TO RATIFYING OR ACCEDING TO
 THOSE INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS, SO THAT THEY MAY HAVE THE
 BROADEST POSSIBLE EFFECT;
- 3. NOTES WITH SATISFACTION THAT THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE HAS COMPLETED THE TEXT OF THE DRAFT CONVENTION ON REGISTRATION OF OBJECTS LAUNCHED INTO OUTER SPACE:
- 4. NOTES THAT, IN RESPONDING TO THE REQUEST OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE LEGAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE AND THE COMMITTEE ITSELF HAVE ACHIEVED FURTHER PROGRESS TOWARDS THE COMPLETION OF THE DRAFT TREATY RELATING TO THE MOON; UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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5. RECOMMENDS THAT THE LEGAL SUB-COMMITTEE SHOULD CONSIDER ON THE SAME LEVEL OF HIGH PRIORITY AT ITS 14TH SESSION

A) THE DRAFT TREATY RELATING TO THE MOON WITH A VIEW TO COMPLETING IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE,

B) THE ELABORATION OF PRINCIPLES GOVERNING THE USE BY STATES OF ARTIFICIAL SATELLITES FOR DRAFT TELEVISION BROAD-

CASTING WITH A VIEW TO CONCLUDING AN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT OR AGREEMENTS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2916(XXVII),

- C) THE LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OF REMOTE SENSING OF THE EARTH FROM SPACE, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE VARIOUS VIEWS OF STATES EXPRESSED ON THE SUBJECT, INCLUDING PROPOSALS FOR DRAFT INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENTS;
- 6. ALSO RECOMMENDS THAT THE LEGAL SUB-COMMITTEE SHOULD CONSIDER AT THE SESSION, AS TIME PERMITS, MATTERS RELATING TO THE DEFINITIONS AND/OR DELIMITATION OF OUTER SPACE AND OTHER OUTER SPACE ACTIVITIES:
- 7. NOTES WITH APPRECIATION THE USEFUL WORK CARRIED OUT BY THE WORKING GROUP ON DBS AT ITS FIFTH SESSION, INTER ALIA, IN FACILITATING THE WORK OF THE LEGAL SUBCOMMITTEE IN ELABORATING PRINCIPLES GOVERNING THE USE BY STATES OF ARTIFICIAL EARTH SATELLITES FOR DIRECT TELEVISION BROADCASTING;
- 8. RECOMMENDS THAT THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE, BEARING IN MIND THE USEFUL CONTRIBUTION THAT THE WORKING GROUP ON DIRECT BROADCASTING SATELLITES CAN MAKE TO ITS WORK, CONSIDER RECONVENING THE WORKING GROUP IF OR WHEN IT DEEMS IT USEFUL;
- 9. RECOMMENDS THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PAR. 57 OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE, UN SPECIALIZED AGENCIES HAVING EXISTING RESPONSIBILITIES OR PROGRAMMES OF STUDIES IN THIS AREA, SUCH AS ITU, ICAO, AND IMCO, PROVIDE THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SUB-COMMITTEE AT UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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ITS NEXT SESSION WITH BACKGROUND INFORMATION BROUGHT UP TO DATE ON THE SUBJECT OF THE GEO-STATIONARY ORBIT;

- 10. NOTES WITH SATISFACTION THAT, IN PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN THE APPLICATION OF SPACE TECHNOLOGY, THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SUB-COMMITTEE AND ITS WORKING GROUP ON REMOTE SENSING OF THE EARTH BY SATELLITES HAVE GIVEN CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION TO THE POTENTIAL USE OF REMOTE SENSING OF THE EARTH BY SATELLITES IN DEVELOPMENT PROGREAMMES OF ALL COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES;
- 11. WELCOMES THE VARIOUS EFFORTS ENVISAGED WITH A VIEW TO MAKING MORE READILY AVAILABLE THE BENEFITS OF THIS NEW TECHNOLOGY TO ALL COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES,
- 12. WELCOMES FURTHER, AS A VALUABLE STEP IN THE EFFORTS TO FIND APPROPRIATE PATTERNS FOR THE POSSIBLE INTERNATIONAL

ORGANIZATION OF AN OPERATIVE REMOTE SENSING SYSTEM OR SYSTEMS, THE DECISION OF THE OUTER SPACE COMMITTEE THAT THE SECRETARY-GENERAL SHOULD UNDERTAKE STUDIES ON THE ORGANIZATIONAL AND FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS OF GLOBAL AND REGIONAL CENTRES FOR REMOTE SENSING;

13. ENDORSES THE OPINION THAT FURTHER STUDIES BY THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF ORGANIZATIONAL AND FINANCIAL QUESTIONS, RELATING TO REMOTE SESSION OF THE EARTH FROM SPACE, SHOULD PROGRESS TOGETHER WITH CONSIDERATION BY THE LEGAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE LEGAL ASPECTS OF REMOTE SENSING OF THE EARTH FROM SPACE AS A MATTER OF PRIORITY:

14. COMMENDS THE WORKING GROUP ON REMOTE SENSING OF THE EARTH BY SATELLITES FOR ITS ACCOMPLISHMENT IN ASSESSING THE CURRENT STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT OF REMOTE SENSING AND IN FACILITATING UNDERSTANDING OF THE POTENTIAL BENEFITS OF THIS NEW SPACE APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT, ESPECIALLY THAT OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:

15. NOTES WITH APPROVAL THAT THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE, HAVING CONSIDERED THE VARIOUS UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY ITS SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SUB-COMMITTEE WITH REGARD TO THE WORK OF THE WORKING GROUP ON REMOTE SENSING OF THE EARTH BY SATELLITES, AS SET OUT IN THE FINAL REPORT OF THE WORKING GROUP, AGREED TO THE RECOMMENDATION THAT THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SUB-COMMITTEE, AT ITS 12TH SESSION, IN 1975, GIVE TO REMOTE SENSING THE PRIORITY ACCORDED TO IT IN PAR. 49 OF THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

16 WELCOMES THE CONTINUING PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN DEVELOPING THE UN PROGRAMME ON SPACE APPLICATIONS INTO A SIGNIFICANT MEANS OF PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN THIS FIELD, AS SET OUT IN PARAGRAPHS 35 TO 41 OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE AND IN PARAGRAPH 29 OF THE S&T SUBCOMMITTEE, AND RECOMMENDS THAT IN ORDER TO FACILITATE FURTHER PROGRESS IN SPACE APPLICATIONS, THE COMMITTEE SHOULD EXPLORE THE DESIRABILITY OF EXPANDING THE PROGRAM IN THE FUTURE, INCLUDING THE POSSIBILITY OF IMPROVING ITS EFFECTIVENESS, AND TAKING ESPECIALLY INTO ACCOUNT THE NEEDS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES;

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17. ENDORSES THE UN PROGRAMME ON SPACE APPLICATIONS
AS REFERRED TO IN PAR. 41 OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE AND IN PAR. 29 OF THE
REPORT OF THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SUB-COMMITTEE,
AND RECOMMENDS THE CONTINUING DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROGRAMME,
TAKING ESPECIALLY INTO ACCOUNT THE NEEDS OF THE DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES;

18. NOTES WITH APPRECIATION THAT SEVERAL MEMBERS STATES HAVE OFFERED EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING FACILITIES, UNDER UNITED NATIONS SPONSORSHIP, IN THE PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF SPACE TECHNOLOGY AND DRAWS THE ATTENTION OF MEMBER STATES, PARTICULARLY THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, TO THOSE OPPORTUNITIES AS OUTLINED IN PARAGRAPHS 35 TO 38 AND 40 OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE:

19. FURTHER NOTES WITH APPRECIATION THE ACTIONS AS CONTAINED IN PAR. 37 OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE, OF SEVERAL MEMBER STATES IN HOSTING THE UN-SPONSORED PANELS/SEMINARS/WORK SHOPS IN 1973 AND 1974, AND IN AGREEING TO HOST THE UN-SPONSORED PANELS/SEMINARS/WORK SHOPS IN 1975.

20. FURTHER NOTES THE VALUE OF UNITED NATIONS PANELS AND UNCLASSIFIED

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TRAINING SEMINARS IN VARIOUS FIELDS OF SPACE APPLICATION AND

HOPES THAT MEMBER STATES WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER TO SERVE AS HOST TO THESE PANELS AND TRAINING SEMINARS, WITH A VIEW TO THE WIDEST POSSIBLE SPREAD OF INFORMATION AND SHARING OF COST IN THIS NEW AREA OF DEVELOPMENT, ESPECIALLY THAT OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

- 21. COMMENDS TO THE ATTENTION OF MEMBER STATES THE QUESTIONNAIRE WHICH HAS RECENTLY BEEN COMMUNICATED TO MEMBER STATES FOR THEIR REPLIES AND WHICH HAS BEEN PREPARED WITH THE PURPOSE OF FACILITATING FUTURE PLANNING OF A MORE EFFECTIVE UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMME ON SPACE APPLICATIONS WITH PARTICULAR REGARD TO THE NEEDS OF THE DEVELOPING (PORTION MISSING USUN WILL ISSUE CORRECTED TEXT OCT 11)
- 22. APPROVES CONTINUING SPONSORSHIP BY THE UN OF THE THUMBA EQUATORIAL ROCKET LAUCHING STATION IN INDA AND THE CELPA MAR DEL PLATA STATION IN ARGENTINA, EXPRESSES ITS SATISFACTION AT THE WORK BEING CARRIED OUT AT THOSE RANGES IN RELATION TO THE USE OF SOUNDING REMOTE FACILITIES FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND TRAINING IN THE PEACEFUL AND SCIENTIFIC EXPLORATION OF OUTER SPACE AND RECOMMENDS THAT MEMBER STATES CONTINUE TO GIVE CONSIDERATION TO THE USE OF THOSE FACILITIES FOR SPACE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES;
- (22. BIS) COMMENT: THIS PARA BEALING WITH PAKISTANI CONCERNS ABOUT PEACEFUL USES OF THUMBA RANGE IS STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION AND IS THE SUBJECT OF SEPTEL. END COMMENT:
- 23. AGREES WITH THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE, AS SET OUT IN PAR. 45 OF ITS REPORT, THAT PROPER CO-ORDINATION IS NECESSARY FOR ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE UN SYSTEM RELATING TO THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE;
- 24. NOTES WITH APPRECIATION THAT THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES, IN PARTICULAR THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION, THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION, THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION, THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED UNCLASSIFIED

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NATIONS AND THE INTERNATIONAL MARITIME CONSULTATIVE ORGANIZATION, HAVE CONTINUED TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN THE UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMME FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE, INCLUDING THE PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF SPACE TECHNOLOGY:

25. REQUESTS THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE INTER-

NATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY TO CONTINUE, AS APPROPRIATE, TO PROVIDE THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE WITH PROGRESS REPORTS ON THEIR WORK RELATING TO THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE AND TO EXAMINE, AND REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE, ON THE PARTICULAR PROBLEMS THAT MAY ARISE FROM THE USE OF OUTER SPACE IN THE FILEDS WITHIN THEIR COMPETENCE AND THAT SHOULD, IN THEIR OPINION, BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COMMITTEE;

26 REQUESTS THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE TO CONTINUE ITS WORK, AS SET OUT IN THE PRESENT AND PREVIOUS RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND TO REPORT TO THE ASSEMBLY AT ITS THIRTIETH SESSION UNQTE SCALI

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